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JUNCTION CITY, KANSAS, MAN SENTENCED FOR POSSESSION WITH THE INTENT TO DISTRIBUTE CRACK COCAINE

TOPEKA, Kan. – United States Attorney Eric Melgren announced that **Leonard R. Mundy, 49, Junction City, Kansas**, was sentenced today by U.S. District Judge Julie A. Robinson to ten years in federal prison, without parole, to be followed by eight years of supervised release.

Mundy was found guilty on April 16, 2003, following a two day jury trial of one count of possession with the intent to distribute crack cocaine.

Melgren stated that according to court testimony, on July 26, 2002, Mundy was a passenger in a vehicle that was stopped for a traffic violation by the Junction City Police Department. Trial evidence established that when officers stopped the vehicle, Mundy immediately got out of the vehicle and threw a plastic bag on the ground. According to trial evidence, officers later found the plastic bag under the vehicle and the bag contained approximately 6.69 grams (approximately .23 ounce) of crack cocaine plus a set of scales.

Melgren commended the excellent work of the Junction City Police Department and the Kansas Bureau of Investigation in this investigation and Assistant U.S. Attorney James Brown in this prosecution.